

MINUTES

PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD

MAY 8, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Charles Appleby, Sr., Chairperson, at 9:16 a.m. in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:

Charles Appleby, Sr., Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
James Piccoli	Unlimited Contractor
Christopher M. Bowman	Unlimited /General Contractor
George C. Sima	Well Drilling Contractor
Frank J. DaCato	Unlimited Journeyperson
John R. Damico	Unlimited Journeyperson
Carl W. Schaefer	Public Member

Members Absent:

Anthony Calandrino	Unlimited Journeyperson
Hubert J. Barnes	Unlimited Journeyperson
Melissa Sheffy	Public Member
Joyce Topshe	Public Member

Board Vacancies:

One Public Member

Dept. of Consumer Protection:

Karen Layman, Secretary
Anthony Santoro, Esq.

Dept. of Labor:

Gina Knox

Public present:

Bill Warzecha	Ryan Tetreault	Spencer A. Beers
Spencer R. Beers		

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2014 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

None

APPLICANT APPEARING IN PERSON:

Spencer A. Beers, Niantic, CT – (P-7) Limited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted to approve Spencer A. Beers' (P-7) application. Chairperson Charles Appleby, Sr. abstained. Board Member Frank DaCato opposed.

Spencer R. Beers, Niantic, CT – (P-7) Limited Contractor - Approved

After discussion with the Board, Spencer R. Beers opted to change the license category sought from a (P-7) to a (P-6). The Board voted to approve Spencer R. Beers to sit for the (P-6) examination. Chairperson Charles Appleby, Sr. abstained. Board Member Frank DaCato opposed.

APPLICATIONS:

Dwight Clary, Jr., Cummington, MA – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Clary's application due to lack of sufficient documentation regarding on-the-job training and related instruction.

Vincent Noli, Manchester, CT – (P-1) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Noli's application due to lack of sufficient documentation regarding on-the-job training and related instruction.

Christopher Perez, New Haven, CT – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Conditionally approved

The Board voted to conditionally approve Mr. Perez' application, subject to the receipt of apprenticeship completion letter from the Department of Labor. Upon completion of this letter, DCP staff may approve without further Board review. Board member Frank DaCato abstained.

APPLICATIONS ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

Mark Morello, Clermont, FL – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Morello's application due to lack of the required (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman license for a minimum of two years.

John Royce, Eastchester, NY – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Royce's application due to lack of the required (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman license for a minimum of two years.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Request for exemption pursuant to Sec. 25-133 of Title 25 of the State Well Drilling Board Rules and Regulations

At the April 10, 2014 meeting, the Board voted unanimously that this matter be tabled until the Board receives information from their attorney as to whether or not this Board is allowed to act on this Durham Water Line Project at this time.

At today's meeting the Board, along with Bill Warzecha (DEEP), reviewed the e-mail from Attorney General Raul Rodriguez. After discussion, the following motion was made:

The Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board grants an exemption pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 25-133 of Title 25 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA), to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Energy & Environmental Protection to allow, as part of the well abandonment procedure, the disinfection of more than one hundred drinking water wells solely encompassed by an area identified as Area A of the Durham Meadows Superfund site located in the center of Durham, Connecticut using a fifty (50) part per million (ppm) dose of chlorine rather than 150 ppm as prescribed in Section 25-128-57 of the RCSA.

Furthermore, that an exemption, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 25-133 of Title 25 of the RCSA be granted to use an alternative method for grouting all abandoned, bedrock-floored wells identified above in a manner as follows; each bedrock well will be filled with fine sand to a depth of about forty feet with remainder of the well bore hole filled with bentonite grout chips to the terminus of the well casing. This will prevent the chance for contaminated well water from spilling onto the surface of the ground in proximity of the well head.

The Board voted unanimously to approve this motion.

2. Raised S.B. Bill No. 412 – An Act Concerning the Enforcement of Certain Occupational Licensing Statutes

Mr. DaCato reported that this bill has passed the Senate, however, there have been some changes. The Board will review and discuss this bill in more detail at a later date.

3. Residential sprinkler system licensing requirements

This item was not discussed.

4. Draft Circular Letter EHS #2014-## Re: DEEP General Permit for the Discharge of Low Flow Water Treatment Wastewater

Ryan Tetreault (DEEP) presented this draft letter for the Board to review. The purpose of this letter is to ensure that local health departments are aware of the existence of this permit, and to ensure that the local building officials who will be receiving receive these permit applications will be communicating with local health departments. Mr. Tetreault stated that Dan Tierney, Office of the State Building Inspector, is in agreement with this letter, however, requested that the first sentence be modified to say, "In conjunction with the Office of the State Building Inspector....." The Board voted unanimously to accept this proposal as presented by Mr. Tetreault today. Board members are invited to join the work group on this topic, which Mr. Tetreault will be coordinating.

5. Substitute Bill No. 5299 An Act Concerning the Findings of the Military Occupational Specialty Task Force

Mr. Bowman reported that this bill has passed the Senate and House, however, there have been some changes. According to this bill, veterans will be required to have their credentials approved by the Department of Labor and will have to sit for the examination before receiving a license.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Continuing Education Evaluation Forms

The Board so noted.

2. PSI Survey Results

The Board so noted.

3. Medical Gas and Vacuum Systems Work

The Board so noted

4. Ct. Exam Development July 2014

The Board noted that this meeting is now scheduled for August 7, 2014.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

The Board reviewed the current complaint status report provided by the Trade Practices Division. The Board voted unanimously to request additional information from Trade Practices for the June 12, 2014 meeting.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS FROM ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2014 Meeting Schedule:

- **June 12, 2014**
- **July 10, 2014**
- **August 14, 2014**
- **September 11, 2014**
- **October 9, 2014**
- **November 13, 2014**
- **December 11, 2014**

Meetings will take place at 9:00 a.m. in Room 117 at Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut